

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
January 4, 2004
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle
Smudging 9:15 a.m.
9:30 a.m.

Executive Session: No

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:59 a.m.

Council Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Vice-Chairperson Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Dexter McNamara, Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley

Legal Staff Present: J. Branksy, General Counsel

Staff Present: See Attached list

Guests: See attached list

Opening Ceremony – Bea Law

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda with no additions.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank to approve the corrected minutes of December 21, 2003.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to accept the Treasurer's verbal and written report as provided by Valerie Tweedie CFO, for January 4, 2004.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet to approve the departmental budgets 2003 as amended and presented as the final 2003 budget and allow carryover of funds for GIS \$20,000 and all unexpended funds in the Legal Department budget for future litigation. All other carryovers will be pursuant to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and grantor/contract compliance.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank to accept the Tribal Administrator's verbal and written report, for January 4, 2004, as presented by Doug Craven.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

10:54 a.m. recess called

11:04 a.m. meeting reconvened

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank to schedule two (2) Special Tribal Council Work Sessions to complete the LTBB Personnel Policy, on the dates of January 23rd and 24th 2004 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to approve the renaming of the BGN Program from Biinoogiiyuk Guh Niigaanziiwaad to Mshko-dodemwin, which means "Strong Clan System".

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

11:48 a.m. Public Comment Opened: Andrew Stich, Carol McFall, Deleta Smith

11:53 a.m. Public Comment Closed

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank that we table the DEQ request until we hear back from Legal at our next Tribal Council Meeting on January 18, 2004.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

12:02 p.m. Lunch recess

1:43 p.m. Meeting reconvened

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley to accept the verbal Tribal Chairman's report for January 4, 2004.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to request written feedback reports along with a copy of their business DBA forms, if available, from Tribal Members who have received the \$5,000.00 Small Business Grants.

Motion withdrawn

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to direct the Economic Development Department to conduct a

survey of the recipients of the Tribal Member Small Business Grants to assist in future grant making.

Vote: 5 Yes, 2 No (Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Secretary Dexter McNamara for a 2-day Special Work Session for the purposes of strategic planning and general discussion, etc. to be scheduled for February 13th and 14th 2004.

Vote: 5 Yes, 2 No (Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

2:15 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves

2:17 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

2:40 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves

2:42 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to accept the verbal report as presented by Jim Bransky, General Counsel on January 4, 2004.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet that the Tribal Council renew William Gregory's, the prosecuting attorney's contract with the addition that the prosecuting attorney provides quarterly reports to Tribal Council, the contract effective January 5, 2004 through December 31, 2004 or until the new Constitution is enacted, whichever comes first.

Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

3:17 p.m. Recess called

3:24 p.m. Meeting reconvened

Motion made by Secretary Dexter McNamara and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to accept the verbal and written report as presented by Shirley Oldman, Chairperson on the Education Commission on January 4, 2004.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained

Motion carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet to accept the Election Board Quarterly report as presented by Chairperson Denise Petoskey on January 4, 2004.

Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Secretary Dexter McNamara to accept the quarterly report for the Enrollment Commission given by Carol McFall on January 4, 2004.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Dexter McNamara to accept the quarterly report for the Health Commission presented by Chairperson Deleta Smith given on January 4, 2004.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law that we donate a 3' x 5' Tribal Flag to the Center for Native American Studies located at Northern Michigan University.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

4:12 p.m. Secretary McNamara leaves
4:15 p.m. Secretary McNamara returns

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law and supported by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank that we contribute \$2,500.00 to the Ain Dah Ing Inc., Treatment Center to help Native Americans to come from the donations line item.
Vote: 5 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Rita Shananaquet), 1 Absent (Secretary Dexter McNamara), 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Dexter McNamara that we donate \$1,000.00 to the Mary Ann Andreas for Assembly campaign to come from the general fund.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

4:25 p.m. Public Comment Open: Fred Harrington, Jr.
4:29 p.m. Public Comment Closed

Motion made by Secretary Dexter McNamara and supported by Councilor Rita Shananaquet for a standard item on the agenda for Tribal Council to address remarks, comments and concerns received in written form from Tribal Members.
Motion withdrawn

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley to adopt resolution # 010404-01 Approval of 2004 I.H.S. Budget.

Roll Call: Chairman Frank Ettawageshik-yes, Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law-yes, Secretary Dexter McNamara-yes Treasurer Alice Yellowbank-yes, Councilor Rita Shananaquet-no, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley-yes
Motion carried

4:50 p.m. Recessed called
5:00 p.m. Meeting reconvened

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to approve \$5,000.00 annual payment to Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) to come from Tribal Council dues line item.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Rita Shananaquet and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to approve payment for the Membership Renewal Invoice 2004 with the National Indian Gaming Association for the amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 to come from Tribal Council dues line item.
Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Treasurer Alice Yellowbank), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Vice Chairperson Beatrice A. Law to adjourn at 5:36 pm.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion carried

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:
Approved:

Dexter McNamara, Tribal Secretary

Date